San Francisco as a Distributed Energy Resource 'Test-Bed' Site

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Research Hypothesis

List role of SF Coop

San Francisco Study Area

Map of the south-east SF with study area highlighted



Study Area Statistics

Summer & Winter Peaks 5.35 Square Miles 18,369 Households 8,019 Businesses

Research Goals

Characterize the impact of DER on the distribution system in a real-world setting by addressing:

- DER market questions
- Engineering questions
- Load research analysis questions

Provide information geared to utility engineers and planners on the real-world economic and engineering performance of DER.

Project Objectives

- Identify and verify the economic and engineering impact of DER on the SF distribution system
- Take advantage of both planned and existing DER installations in the test-bed area
- Pursue a <u>fair</u> assessment of DER / grid interactions
- Provide documented results for this realworld study of DER

About the Researchers

- M-Cubed
 - DER customer interface, project coordination
- Energy & Environmental Economics, Inc.
 - Economics of DG, Load research analysis
- Electrotek Concepts
 - Metering and engineering analysis

Researcher's Roles

Evaluate the following:

- Appeal of DER alternatives to customers
 - M-Cubed (customer interaction, value proposition)
- Economics of the area DER projects
 - Energy and Environmental Economics (cost and benefits from different perspectives)
 - M-Cubed (customer value proposition)
- Load impacts and other engineering aspects of the projects
 - Electrotek Concepts (metering / modeling the distribution system)
 - Energy and Environmental Economics (impact estimation)
 - M-Cubed (customer response and DER characterization)

Research Partners

- Pacific Gas & Electric Company
- California Energy Commission
- San Francisco Public Utilities
 Commission / Hetch Hetchy
- Private DER Owners
- Technology Vendors

Project Plan

Planned Project Phases

Anticipated Results

Duration

Phase 1: Economic Analysis & Marketing Plan Development

- 1. Appropriate Technologies
- 2. Project Approach

Dec 2003 -Mar 2004

Phase 2: DER Implementation & Load and System Results

Monitoring

- 1. Load Profile Impact
- 2. Cost Impact
- 3. Participant Feedback

Mar 2004 -Mar 2005

Phase 3: Evaluation and Reporting

- 1. Cost/Benefit Analysis
- 2. Case Study
- 3. DR Primer

Mar 2005 -Jul 2005

Phase 1 Approach

- More detail on approach
- Challenges

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DER Resource Potential

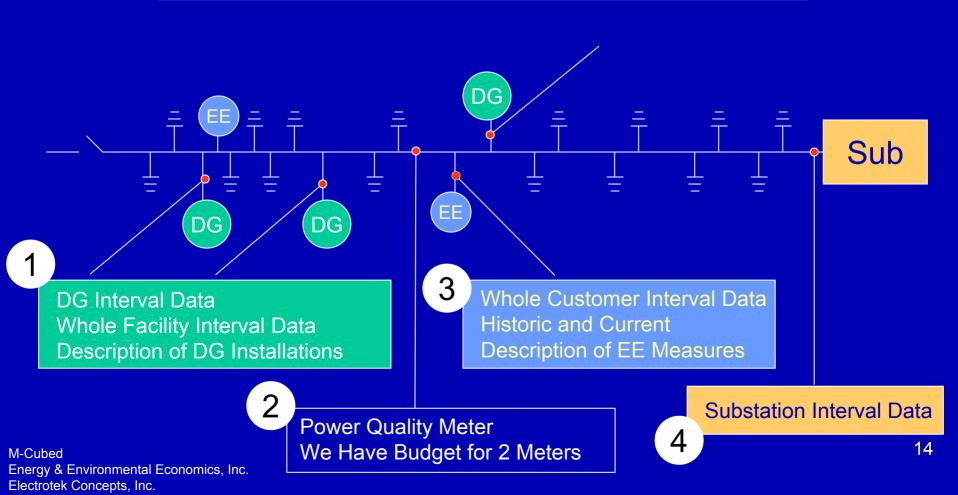
- Existing Distributed Generation
 - Air Resources Board List
 - -SF PUC List / PG&E List
- Planned DER Efforts
 - -CPUC Dynamic Pricing
 - -CPUC DSM Program
- Interested DER Vendors

Phase 2 Approach

- More detail on approach
- Challenges

Stylized Feeder Load Research Plan

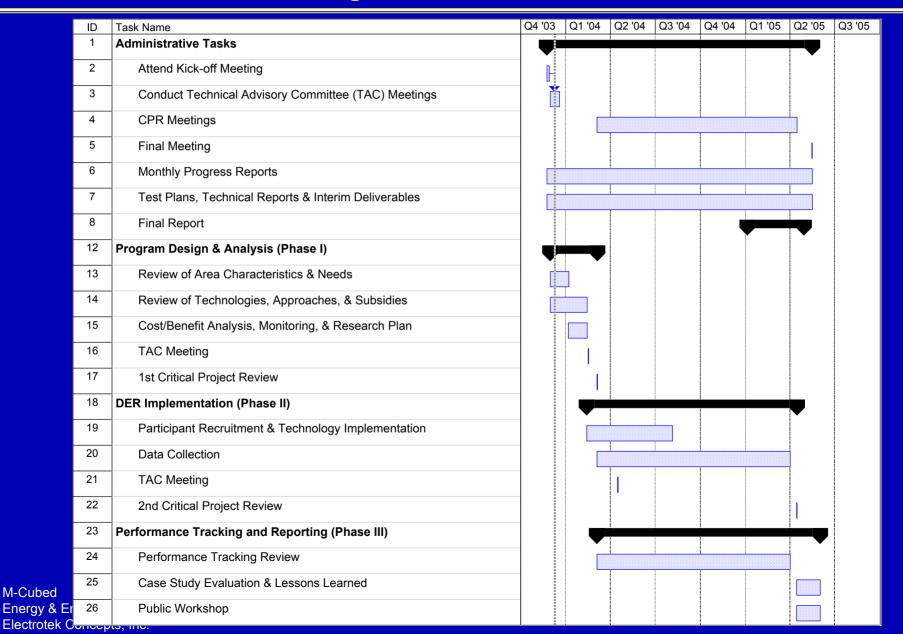
Four Types of Metering Points



Phase 3 Approach

- More detail on approach
- Challenges

Project Timeline



Research Support Requested

What?	Who?	How?
Identify existing and planned DER in study area	E3 SF PUC PG&E Vendors	Provide available contacts and/or documentation contacts
Assist in metering/data collection efforts	PG&E DER Customers	 Identify DER on specific feeders Identify specific feeders to focus on during study Provide loading data at whole feeder level

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